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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 9, 2001 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before November 9, 2001. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Applicants note that those claims not amended herein are being reiterated solely for the convenience of the Examiner.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-3.

Please amend claims 1 and 5 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for reducing the plasma level of VLDL in a host, said method comprising:
- administering to said host an effective amount of an agent which at least reduces the amount of plasma active apoE in said host by reducing the expression of apoE by an amount sufficient to reduce VLDL production in said host to reduce the plasma level of VLDL in said host, whereby the plasma level of VLDL in said host is reduced.